

**AGENDA**  
**CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF YONKERS**  
**STATED MEETING**  
**TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 2021**



Committee of the Whole 6:30 P.M.  
Stated Meeting 7:00 P.M.

TIME:\_\_\_\_\_

PRESENT:           PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL  
                      MIKE KHADER

DISTRICT:

2	MAJORITY LEADER CORAZON PINEDA-ISAAC
5	MINORITY LEADER MICHAEL B. BREEN

COUNCIL MEMBERS:  
DISTRICT:

1	SHANAE V. WILLIAMS
3	TASHA DIAZ
4	JOHN RUBBO
6	ANTHONY MERANTE

Recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag followed by a minute of silence to invoke God's guidance and Blessing upon our deliberations.

Minutes of the stated meeting held on March 23, 2021 approved on motion of Majority Leader Pineda-Isaac.

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CORPORATION NOTICE  
CITY OF YONKERS-NEW YORK

**PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE**

Notice is hereby given, pursuant to law, that the City Council of the City of Yonkers, New York will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Council Chambers, City Hall, 40 South Broadway, 4<sup>th</sup> floor, Yonkers, New York as follows:

**PROPOSED RESOLUTION**

A PROPOSED RESOLUTION TO RENAME DURST PLACE, FROM SEMINARY AVENUE TO DUNWOODIE STREET AS, "DETECTIVE WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR. WAY"

VINCENT SPANO  
City Clerk

Dated: April 7, 2021

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**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

**VETO MESSAGE**

On March 5, 2021, the City Council adopted General Ordinance No.4-2021 (hereinafter referred to as "the Ordinance"). For the reasons set forth below, I am returning the Ordinance without my approval.

**The Ordinance**

The Ordinance establishes a tenant-landlord relations council to advise and mediate disputes and improve relations between landlords and tenants.

**Reason for the Veto**

The Ordinance permits the City Council to make appropriations for expenses incurred by the council. The City must operate with an efficient and effective operating budget. To that end, the fiscal note associated with this legislation was also incomplete. I believe that to allow the expenditure of funds to mediate private disputes is an inappropriate use of City funding. The City already enforces tenant rights related to the physical condition and nuisance abatement through the Department of Housing and Buildings, Code Enforcement, the Yonkers Fire Department, and the Yonkers Police Department. Furthermore, the Yonkers City Court is available to resolve housing issues with binding and enforceable remedies.

**Conclusion**

For these reasons, I must veto this Ordinance.

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**GENERAL ORDINANCE NO.4-2021**

1. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

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The City of Yonkers, in City Council convened, hereby ordains and enacts: Section 1. Part VII of the of the Code of the City of Yonkers, more commonly known as the "Nuisances, Public Welfare and Criminal" is hereby partly amended by adding the new Chapter 88 entitled "Tenant-Landlord Relations Council" to read as follows:

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**§ 88 -1 Creation of landlord-tenant relations council**

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- (a) conduct research into community housing problems;
- (b) formulate programs to improve landlord-tenant relations;
- (c) accumulate statistical information on available housing accommodations;
- (d) counsel the City Council on landlord-tenant problems and disputes and recommend programs for the solution of same;
- (e) resolve problems and disputes between landlords and tenants through mediation and discussion at meetings of the council;
- (f) refer issues to relevant City agencies, including but not limited to Code Enforcement, Police, Fire, and the Department of Housing and Building.

**§ 88 -2. Membership.**

The council shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the City Council for a term not exceeding two years and who shall be unsalaried. Three of such members shall represent landlord interests, three shall represent tenant interests and the seventh shall be an impartial appointee. The three members who represent landlord interests shall be also residents of the City of Yonkers.



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**GENERAL ORDINANCE NO.4-2021 (CONTINUED)**

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**§ 88-3. Appropriations and Spending.**

The City Council may make such appropriations as it may see fit for such expenses incurred by the council. Such council may appoint such clerks and other employees as it may from time to time require with the approval of the City Council. The expenses of the council shall not exceed the appropriation that may be made therefor.

§ 88-4 Authority to hold hearings; subpoena of witnesses and documents. In accordance with Sec. 1(e), the Landlord-Tenant Relations Council is authorized to resolve problems and disputes between landlords and tenants through mediation and discussion. Pursuant to that authority, Council may hold hearings attended by the landlord, tenant and their representatives. The hearings shall be open to the public except for those matters which are subject to privilege pursuant to applicable local, state and/or federal law. The Council may, if necessary, request from the landlord and tenant documents and other information deemed necessary by the Council to fairly consider the matter before it. If the requested documents are not provided in a timely manner, the Council may direct the Corporation Counsel or his/her designee to issue a subpoena for the production of the requested records. By submitting the issue to the Council, the parties agree to be bound by the determination of the Council, to the extent permitted by law.

Section 2. This General Ordinance shall take effect immediately and pursuant to the City Charter.

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A VOTE OF 7-0.

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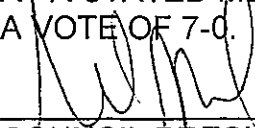
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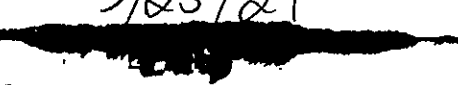
  
COUNCIL PRESIDENT

SENT TO MAYOR 3/8/21  
DATE

MAYOR

  
MICHAEL J. SPANO  
DATE 

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK  
DEPUTY   
4/1/21

3/5/21  
**VETO**

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BE IT RESOLVED, that the following applicant(s) are hereby appointed and/or reappointed to the office of Commissioner of Deeds for a period of two years to expire on April 30, 2023.

Spencer Anderton  
65 Runyon Avenue  
Yonkers, New York 10710

Custodian

RENEWAL

Aneida Vazquez  
41 Courter Avenue  
Yonkers, New York 10705

Jr. Clerk

NEW

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WHEREAS, § C14-1 of the Yonkers City Charter provides for the creation of a Parks, Recreation and Conservation Board for the City of Yonkers (hereinafter the "Parks Board"); and

WHEREAS, § C14-3 of the Yonkers City Charter provides that the members of the Parks Board are appointed by the Mayor with the advice and consent of the Yonkers City Council; and

WHEREAS, Mayor Mike Spano has appointed Charles S. Lesnick to be a member of the Parks Board; and

WHEREAS, Charles S. Lesnick, a resident of the City of Yonkers, has over thirty years of experience in the government and private sectors, transforming downtown Yonkers, and improving the quality of communities through property management and affordable housing initiatives and has been an active member of the community; and

WHEREAS, the knowledge and experience of Charles S. Lesnick will be valuable to the Parks Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that, pursuant to § C14-3 of the Yonkers City Charter, the Yonkers City Council hereby gives its approval and consent to the designation of Charles S. Lesnick as a member of the Parks Board to finish the term of Donald Weigand to expire on December 31, 2022; and be it

FURTHER RESOLVED, that this Resolution take effect immediately.

## **Charles S Lesnick -**

A highly qualified leader, attorney and planner, Chuck obtained a B.A. in Economics and Political Science from Yale, a Masters in Urban & Regional Planning from the Woodrow Wilson School of Public & International Affairs at Princeton and a J.D. from the NYU School of Law. Since that time, Chuck Lesnick has served in federal, NYS and Yonkers City government state and government, working with both former Governor Mario Cuomo and Governor Andrew Cuomo. Chuck has worked at the United States Department of Housing & Urban Development, as well as the NYS Urban Development Corporation (now known as ESD), the NYS Department of State and the NYS Homes & Community Renewal (most recently serving as Deputy Counsel and Assistant Commissioner for the Office of Rent Administration).

Thirty years ago, as the Director of Economic Development for the City of Yonkers and Deputy Director of the Yonkers Industrial Development Agency Chuck fought to secure funds to begin the waterfront redevelopment and restoration of the historic downtown pier. Later he served eight years as Yonkers City Council President where he continued the transformation of Downtown Yonkers with the daylighting of the Saw Mill River, the acquisition of the Science Barge, the review and approval of the Downtown Master Plan and several Generic Environmental Impact Statements; and he supported economic development and affordable housing throughout the city. During his two terms as Council President at various times he chaired the Council Committees on Rules, Budget & Finance, Education, Environmental Policy & Protection, and Real Estate & Economic Development. He also created the City's first Green Policy Task Force and took an active role with the City's Landmarks Board. Yonkers is New York's fourth largest City with a budget in excess of \$900 million.

In the mid 1990s and again in the mid 2000s Chuck took breaks from government and worked in the private sector, working as an executive with several property management and affordable housing development corporations. He also practiced law specializing in Historic Tax Credits where he was able to improve the quality of communities by helping property owners of historic buildings to obtain tax deductions and other assistance to restore and/or maintain their properties.

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WHEREAS, Mayor Mike Spano has appointed Rebecca Pfaffenbach Nova to the Planning Board of the City of Yonkers for a term ending on December 31, 2024; and

WHEREAS, Rebecca Pfaffenbach Nova is a Yonkers resident, a cancer research specialist, a real estate investor, and founder of Lady Landlords, a community for female Real Estate Investors to learn how to properly grow their portfolios; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Charter of the City of Yonkers, the appointment of a member of the Planning Board of the City of Yonkers is subject to the advice and consent of the City Council; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City of Yonkers that the City Council approve the appointment of Rebecca Pfaffenbach Nova to the Planning Board of the City of Yonkers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yonkers City Council hereby gives its advice and consent to the appointment of Rebecca Pfaffenbach Nova; and be it further

RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.



# REBECCA PFAFFENRACH NOVA

## EDUCATION

TEACHERS COLLEGE, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, NEW YORK, NY

*Master of Arts in Psychology in Education, May 2008*

*Thesis: Predictive Risk Factors for Posttraumatic Stress Disorder in Victims of Domestic Violence*

AMERICAN UNIVERSITY, WASHINGTON, DC

*Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a Minor in History, May 2006*

*Bachelor of Arts in Law and Society, May 2006*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

REGENERON PHARMACEUTICALS: TARRYTOWN, NY

*Oncology Clinical Study Specialist: April 2020- Present*

- Organizes and delivers analyzable reports and metrics to the Clinical Study Lead
- Collates data for assessments such as feasibility and site selection and reviews site usability database
- Contributes to review of study documents such as informed consent forms, case report forms and facilitates study document reviews per company standard operating procedures
- Tracks site activation, enrolment and monitoring visits to projected plans, and escalate any issues or delays with site activation or deviations from monitoring plan
- Monitors and updates investigator/site status for the trial, and supports with clinical trial registry postings
- Performs scheduled reconciliations of study Trial Master File with clinical study lead guidance
- Ensures scheduled reports are received such as 1572 reportable changes and financial disclosure form
- Manages oversight of Third Party Vendors
- Tracks and monitors close out activities including study close-out documents and CRA close-out visits

NYU LANGONE MEDICAL CENTER: NEW YORK, NY

*Oncology Clinical Research Operations Specialist: May 2017-April 2020*

- Serves as project manager for study pre-award processes, including site feasibility, budget, contract, and payment term negotiation and service provider management (Phase 1-4)
- Builds internal billing grid and prospective reimbursement analysis, develops an internal budget, performs Medicare coverage assuring that all procedures, subjects, personnel and administrative fees are accounted
- Applies appropriate inflation and margin rates in CRMS system to ensure departmental profitability
- Reviews regulatory documents, ICFs while tracking site activation, enrollment and monitoring visits to report metrics to leadership
- Oversees internal academic research organization to function as a CRO as Lead Project Manager

SHAKLEE CORPORATION: NEW YORK, NY

*Oncology Sales Manager: December 2013-May 2017*

- Led team of 30 direct reports to ensure their knowledge of products for team collaboration and sales quotas
- Developed SOPs to resolve issues relating to growing sales and products to meet departmental financial goals
- Provided metric driven reports on financials to realize growth potential
- Coached and mentored sales team to engage all team members to create a collaborative culture
- Audited client accounts and developed corrective action plans as necessary

MEMORIAL SLOAN-KETTERING CANCER CENTER: NEW YORK, NY

*Clinical Research Manager:*

*Department of Medicine, Lymphoma: February 2013-December 2013*

*Department of Surgery, Plastics and Reconstructive Surgery: September 2008- December 2009*

- Coordinated pharmaceutical-sponsored and investigator initiated protocols (Phase 1-4) through full life cycle
- Trained 20 direct reports on data abstraction through Epic to ensure EDC reporting and query resolution
- Conducted In-House Monitoring for resident studies and developed internal monitoring QA SOP and CAPs
- Used tracking tools to monitor the department portfolio and served as the financial administrator
- Negotiated budgets with pharmaceutical sponsors to cover hospital procedure and personnel costs
- Oversaw execution of the clinical study according to planned timelines, deliverables and budget

## NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF HEALTH, NATIONAL CANCER INSTITUTE: BETHESDA, MD

*Oncology Clinical Data Manager II:* July 2006- August 2007

- Coordinated Lymphoma & Leukemia cancer protocols (Phase 1-4) through data and patient management
- Developed In-House Monitoring program to improve NCI data driven metrics
- Abstracted data from medical records to complete CRFs and resolve queries
- Created original Electronic Data Capture programs to accurately reflect source documentation
- Performed statistical analysis to report data to PI and Sponsors
- Acted as lead auditor for department to prepare for hospital audits and monitor visits for compliance purposes

## CENTER FOR SLEEP AND WAKE DISORDERS: CHEVY CHASE, MD

*Clinical Research Coordinator:* March 2003- July 2006

- Conducted Phase 3 and 4 protocols to confirm and expand on safety and effectiveness of sleep medications
- Phone screened potential patients in order to assess eligibility criteria and conducted informed consent process
- Created original source documents and EDC systems to accurately capture patient data
- Worked directly with CRO/Sponsor and monitors for Site Feasibility, SIV, MV, and study close out
- Acted as IRB regulatory specialist and in-house auditor

## MANAGEMENT/FINANCIAL EXPERIENCE

### LADY LANDLORDS: NEW YORK, NEW YORK

*Founder:* February 2020- Present

- Grew a community for female Real Estate Investors to learn how to properly grow their portfolios
- Developed resources such as course materials, videos, coaching programs and various worksheets
- Hosts local and virtual events to support the group members educational growth

### SURF N TURF: LAGOS, PORTUGAL

*Owner:* February 2012- September 2012

- Developed an original business plan for a new restaurant in order to compete in a saturated market
- Registered the business with the Portuguese government and created SOPs to compile with local laws
- Managed staff of 10 including training, schedules, payroll and employee conflict resolution to provide a healthy and productive work atmosphere
- Created and maintained budget and tax records to ensure for future earnings

### SEVILLA BACKPACKER TOURS: SEVILLA, SPAIN

*Owner:* July 2010- September 2012

- Built and maintained relationships with multiple hostels to provide activities and tours to tourists visiting Spain and surrounding areas
- Managed and trained sales team of 25 in multiple locations to book clients for various excursions
- Triaged issues from hostel owners as well as tourists in order to improve existing services and create new ones as a response
- Created budget and financial records for activities to provide accurate tax reports and payroll for employees

## HONORS

Metro NYC Newspaper, Second Shift Feature: Conquering the Quarter-life Crisis. Emily Laurence. January 8, 2015

Recognition of Entrepreneurial Achievement, SUNY Levin FastTrac NewVenture, March 2014

Ronald E. McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement Program Scholar, American University, Washington DC, April 2004

*Thesis: Body Image and Sexuality Concerns in regards to Compliance of Continuous Positive Airway Pressure Devices in Patients with Obstructive Sleep Apnea*

## CERTIFICATES AND LICENSES

State of New York Department of Financial Services Life, Accident, and Health Insurance Producer, December 2014 TEFL

International Certificate, Sevilla, Spain, March 2010

National Institute of Health Certificate of "Protection of Human Research Subjects," January 2004

## SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS

Columbia University: Using your Degree to Make a Name for Yourself, Manhattan, NY, April 2015; April 2016

Reebok: Health Workshop Series, Key Note Speaker, Manhattan, NY, December 2014- March 2016

Shaklee: NAMI Woman to Woman Conference, April 2016, May 2017, Mahopac, NY;

Goal Setting Workshop at Annual Global Conference, August 2016

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A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF THE ERUV DISTRICT FOR  
LINCOLN PARK JEWISH CENTER

WHEREAS, Jewish law forbids carrying on the Sabbath, except when done within an enclosed area; and

WHEREAS, in the furtherance of the Jewish religious tradition, in order to enable increased observance of the Sabbath, the Jewish Community practicing at the Northeast Yonkers Jewish Center has requested the establishment of an Eruv, a ritual neighborhood enclosure; and

WHEREAS, an Eruv District is symbolic in nature and does not contravene any federal, state or local law, it will not violate existing property rights, and it will not otherwise impair the City's right of way or violate its Zoning Code; and

WHEREAS, Eruv District have been used for over 2,500 years by countless communities, and Eruvs exist today in hundreds of cities throughout the world, including the Cities of Yonkers, New York, and New Rochelle; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Park Jewish Center has requested that an Eruv, a defined area located in part within the City of Yonkers, as noted on the attached map, be designated as an Eruv District; and

WHEREAS, the Lincoln Park Jewish Center must enter into agreements with any third parties necessary to install and maintain an Eruv bounding the Eruv District; and

WHEREAS, as is traditional, the Lincoln Park Jewish Center has requested permission to ceremonially rent said Eruv District from the City of Yonkers; and

WHEREAS, the Council of the City of Yonkers has determined that it is appropriate to grant such request and the Eruv rights requested, and likewise deems that it be of no public detriment to the rights and general welfare of the citizens of Yonkers; and

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**RESOLUTION (CONTINUED)**

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Yonkers, that the City Council does hereby proclaim the Eruv District within the City of Yonkers, as noted on the attached map for the purposes stated within this Resolution and for all purposes consistent with Jewish tradition and law; and be it further

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and the City Council hereby grant to the Lincoln Park Jewish Center the rights requested in order to define the Sabbath bounds in accordance with Jewish religion and Torah law at a license fee of One Dollar (\$1.00) in hand paid, which license shall be for a period of four (4) years. The rights granted herein shall not prohibit the City of Yonkers from further exercising its rights within any right of way, nor shall the rights granted herein prevent any utility from moving, burying or modifying any poles, structures, or appurtenances affecting the Eruv.

RESOLVED, that this Resolution shall take effect immediately.

**SPONSOR:** Administration

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF THE ERUV DISTRICT FOR LINCOLN PARK JEWISH CENTER

**PURPOSE:** To approve the Eruv District for Lincoln Park Jewish Center.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** approves the Eruv District for Lincoln Park Jewish Center for 4 years.

**JUSTIFICATION:** Eruv District is symbolic in nature and does not contravene any federal, state or local law, it will not violate existing property rights, and it will not otherwise impair the City's right of way or violate its Zoning Code.

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** approves the use of the Eruv District for Lincoln Park Jewish Center.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** None

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** None

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediately

SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE USE OF THE ERUV DISTRICT FOR LINCOLN PARK JEWISH CENTER

■ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

**B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES**

Total Current Year Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Current Year Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_

Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations  
☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify

Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

**C) FISCAL IMPACT**

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: J. Helen Aggrey

Title: 2<sup>nd</sup> Deputy Corporation Counsel

Department: Law

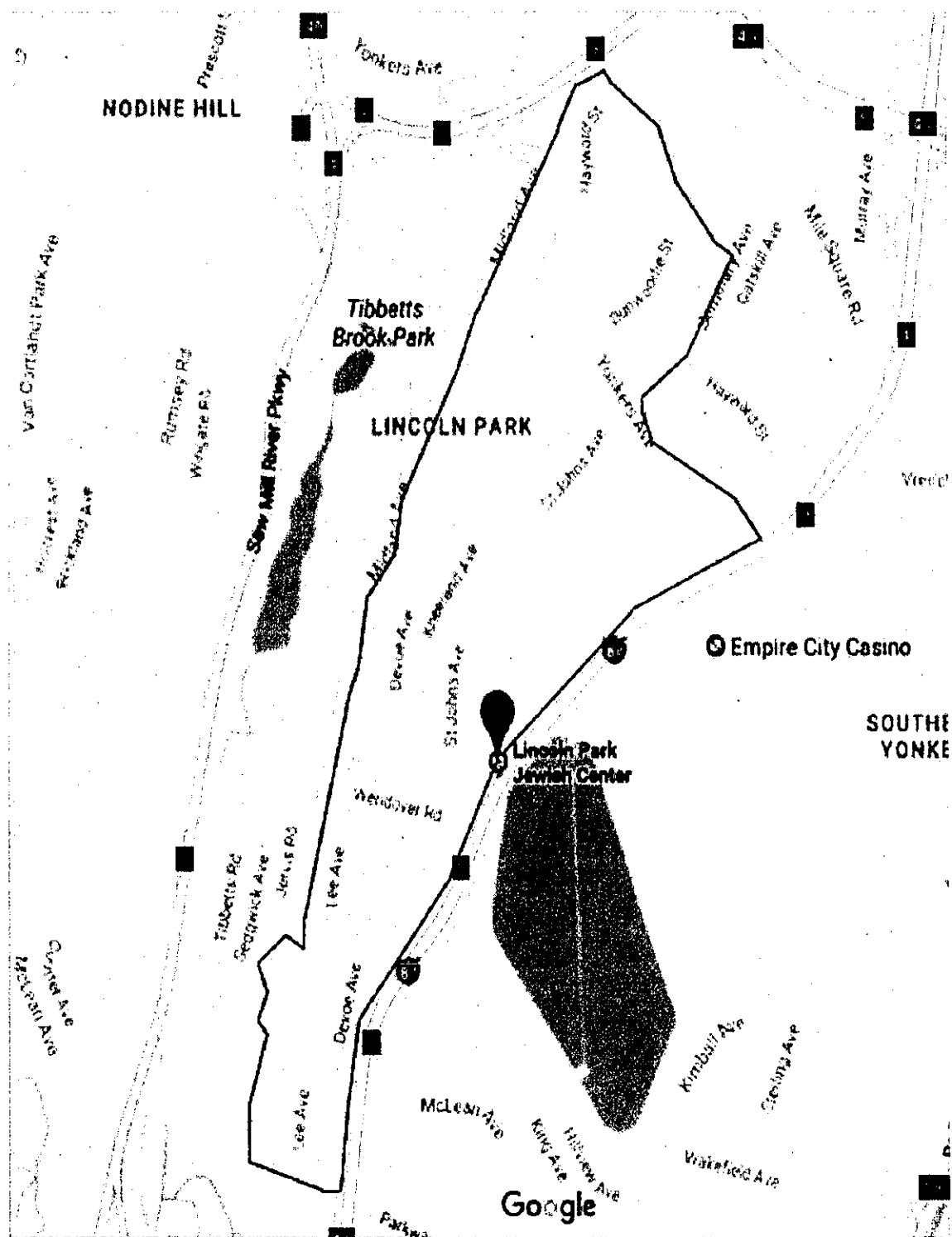
Signature: /S/ J. Helen Aggrey \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: John Liszewski  
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: /S/ \_\_\_\_\_

Date:

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### **Parameters**

- Lincoln Park Jewish Center Eruv Boundaries starting at 311 Central Park Avenue synagogue
- West side of Central Park Avenue, inside of the telephone poles, running south to the intersection of Forest Avenue
- Forest Avenue at Central Park Avenue, west to Hancock Avenue
- North on Hancock Avenue from Forest Avenue to Lawton Avenue
- West on Lawton Avenue, until McLean Avenue
- East on McLean Avenue, until Midland Avenue
- North on Midland Avenue, past Tibbetts Brook Park, until Valentine Avenue
- East on Valentine Avenue, until Seminary Avenue
- South on Seminary Avenue, until Yonkers Avenue
- East on Yonkers Avenue from Seminary Avenue, to Central Park Avenue
- South on WEST side of Central Park Avenue, until arriving at Lincoln Park Jewish Center at 311 Central Park Avenue



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6. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER ~~PINEDA~~\_\_\_\_\_  
ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS,  
DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

RESOLVED, by the City Council of the City of Yonkers, in meeting assembled:

That the settlement by the Corporation Counsel in the amount of One Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars (\$175,000.00) of the action entitled "Ihsan Malkawi, on Behalf of Herself and Others Similarly Situated versus City of Yonkers, Defendant," damages allegedly arising while detained by the Yonkers Police Department, which are alleged to have deprived Plaintiff of certain rights, be and the same is hereby approved, and the Comptroller of the City of Yonkers is directed to draw his warrant in the amount of One Hundred and Seventy-Five Thousand Dollars and 00/100, Dollars (\$175,000.00) in favor of said plaintiff Ihsan Malkawi.

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**RESOLUTION**

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7. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO SEEK LEAD AGENCY UNDER SEQRA FOR THE AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 43 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS AND THE ACCOMPANYING ZONING MAP REGARDING THE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS 120 ODELL AVENUE, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 84 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS; 967 NORTH BROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 68 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS; AND 951 NORTH BROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 100 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS

WHEREAS, L & A RE Acquisitions LLC, by petition, is proposing to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Yonkers by amending the zone district classification of Section 3, Block 3535, Lot 84, as shown and designated on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, said property also known as 120 Odell Avenue, from its present "S-100" zone district classification to a "OL" zone district classification; and

WHEREAS, L & A RE Acquisitions LLC, by petition, is proposing to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Yonkers by amending the zone district classification of Section 3, Block 3535, Lot 68, as shown and designated on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, said property also known as 967 North Broadway, from its present "S-100" zone district classification to a "OL" zone district classification; and

WHEREAS, L & A RE Acquisitions LLC, by petition, is proposing to amend the Zoning Ordinance of the City of Yonkers by amending the zone district classification of Section 3, Block 3535, Lot 100, as shown and designated on the Official Tax Map of the City of Yonkers, said property also known as 951 North Broadway, from its present "S-100" zone district classification to a "OL" zone district classification; and

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WHEREAS, the City Council desires to establish itself as a Lead Agency in accordance with the provisions of 6 NYCRR Part 617 of the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act ("SEQRA"), in order to initiate a review process of the proposed amendments of the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map of the City of Yonkers; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVES, that the City of Yonkers City Council hereby declares its intention to serve as Lead Agency for the environmental review of the proposed amendment of the Zoning Ordinance and Zoning Map of the City of Yonkers; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is directed to circulate Lead Agency notice, together with all other relevant environmental review documents, to all Involved and Interested Agencies, and to allow thirty (30) days from the mailing of the Lead Agency Notice for Agency review of the City Council's Lead Agency designation; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that if no other Involved Agency seeks to be Lead Agency within thirty (30) days from the effective date of said Notice, the City Council shall assume Lead Agency status for purposes of the environmental review of this matter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that said petition be referred for review and report to the Planning Board; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall take effect immediately.

**SUBJECT:** A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO SEEK LEAD AGENCY UNDER SEQRA FOR THE AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 43 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS AND THE ACCOMPANYING ZONING MAP REGARDING THE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS 120 ODELL AVENUE, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 84 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS; 967 NORTH BROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 68 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS; AND 951 NORTH BROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 100 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

#### BUDGET IMPACT

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

#### B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

<i>Total</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Cost:</i>	_____
<i>Total</i>	<i>Current</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Revenue:</i>	_____

*Source of Funds (Check one):* ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations

☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

#### C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: Hon. Diaz

Title: Councilmember

Department: City Council

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** COUNCILMEMBER DIAZ

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO SEEK LEAD AGENCY UNDER SEQRA FOR THE AMENDMENT OF CHAPTER 43 OF THE CODE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS, COMMONLY KNOWN AS THE ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF YONKERS AND THE ACCOMPANYING ZONING MAP REGARDING THE PROPERTIES KNOWN AS 120 ODELL AVENUE, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 84 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS; 967 NORTH BROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 68 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS; AND 951 NORTH BROADWAY, ALSO KNOWN AS SECTION 3, BLOCK 3535, LOT 100 ON THE OFFICIAL TAX MAP OF THE CITY OF YONKERS

**PURPOSE:** To declare the City Council's intention to seek Lead Agency under SEQRA in regards to the Petition to amend the zoning of 120 Odell Avenue, 967 North Broadway, and 951 North Broadway.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** All provisions that relate the City Council's intention to seek Lead Agency under SEQRA in regards to the Petition to amend the zoning of 120 Odell Avenue, 967 North Broadway, and 951 North Broadway..

**JUSTIFICATION:** To declare the City Council's intention to seek Lead Agency under SEQRA in regards to the Petition to amend the zoning of 120 Odell Avenue, 967 North Broadway, and 951 North Broadway.

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** N/A.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** N/A.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** N/A.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Neutral

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

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8. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS CALLING ON THE CITY OF YONKERS TO EVALUATE AND CONSIDER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PILOT PROGRAM TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC SHUTTLE SERVICES TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA

WHEREAS, human-caused climate change is a global issue that affects everyone, including the citizens of the City of Yonkers; and

WHEREAS, scientists report that a significant contributor to climate change is the large concentration of carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) in our atmosphere, which has been continually increasing over the decades; and

WHEREAS, it is pertinent that individuals, as well as entire cities, states and nations undertake efforts to reduce emissions in an effort to combat climate change; and

WHEREAS, one measure to help combat climate change is the implementation and use of public transportation, as the Federal Transit Administration estimates that U.S. bus transit results in an approximately 33% lower greenhouse gas emissions per passenger mile than the average U.S. single occupancy vehicle; and

WHEREAS, while providing public transportation is pertinent in combatting climate change, many issues still exist. For example, many buses still emit pollutants to the detriment of the environment and individuals alike, and many bus routes do not fully provide individuals with door-to-door service; and

WHEREAS, there are several companies partnering with municipalities throughout the country to offer affordable, electric micro-transit through collaborations with municipal organizations in states like New York, New Jersey, California, Florida, Colorado, Massachusetts, Illinois and Texas; and

WHEREAS, these companies provide electric passenger vehicles focused on the "first mile, last mile" transportation, which is the space between someone's public transit commute and their office; and

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WHEREAS, one such company, Circuit, already provides services in New York State and Westchester County. For example, New Rochelle implemented a program through Circuit's services, called "CircuitNR", which is a complimentary, on-demand electric shuttle service transporting riders along several routes in the downtown area, and is available during certain hours each day; and

WHEREAS, New Rochelle first established a six-month pilot program funded by the City's Industrial Development Agency

WHEREAS, as similar public private partnership could provide the residents, workers, and patrons of the City of Yonkers with these pertinent services, particularly in the downtown area with a significant workforce presence; and

WHEREAS, these shuttle vehicles benefit the environment as they are 100% electric and reduce dependency on the use of cars, while also reducing traffic congestion; and

WHEREAS, the services are user friendly, allowing pedestrians to flag down the compact shuttles or summon one on-demand through a free, downloadable app; and

WHEREAS, the cost of these services could be further subsidized through the company's sale of advertising on the electric vehicles, benefitting the City of Yonkers; and

WHEREAS, the City of Yonkers would greatly benefit from these services and would provide pertinent transportation to many residents, workers and patrons of the City of Yonkers in an eco-friendly manner; and

WHEREAS, the Yonkers Downtown Business Improvement District has shown interest in having such service offered in the Downtown area of Yonkers; and

WHEREAS, these eco-friendly service could reduce traffic congestion and helps the broader efforts to create a more sustainable City of Yonkers; and

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NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yonkers City Council, by this resolution, hereby calls on the City of Yonkers and Mayor Michael Spano and his administration to evaluate and consider the implementation of a pilot program for such services in the City of Yonkers, to be provided in the downtown area.



## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** COUNCILMEMBER WILLIAMS

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS CALLING ON THE CITY OF YONKERS TO EVALUATE AND CONSIDER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PILOT PROGRAM WITH CIRCUIT TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC SHUTTLE SERVICES TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA

**PURPOSE:** To support a pilot program for Circuit to provide for electric shuttle services in the City of Yonkers' downtown area.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** All provisions that relate to reviewing the implementation of a pilot program with Circuit to provide for electric shuttle services in the City of Yonkers' downtown area.

**JUSTIFICATION:** To support a pilot program for Circuit to provide for electric shuttle services in the City of Yonkers' downtown area.

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** N/A.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** N/A.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** N/A.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Neutral

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

**SUBJECT:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS CALLING ON THE CITY OF YONKERS TO EVALUATE AND CONSIDER THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A PILOT PROGRAM WITH CIRCUIT TO PROVIDE ELECTRIC SHUTTLE SERVICES TO THE DOWNTOWN AREA

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT -**

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total	Current	Year	Cost:	
Total	Current	Year	Revenue:	

Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Transfer

of Existing Appropriations ☐ Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_  
Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: Hon. Williams  
Title: Councilmember  
Department: City Council

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_  
FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

9. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT  
OF ESTABLISHING PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING**

WHEREAS, participatory budgeting is a democratic process in which community members directly decide how to spend part of a public budget; and

WHEREAS, today there are more than 3,000 participatory budgeting processes around the world, most at the municipal level, such as in New York City, which is the largest and fastest growing participatory budgeting process in the United States since its founding in 2011; and

WHEREAS, in New York City, participatory budgeting allows for thousands of people from all over the city to participate in over 200 neighborhood assemblies that meet citizens where they live to brainstorm spending ideas that could improve their communities. From these meetings, hundreds of participants go on to become "budget delegates" and work with their elected officials to represent their community's spending priorities and create project proposals; and

WHEREAS, participatory budgeting can fund physical infrastructure projects that benefit the public, such as local improvements to schools, parks, libraries, public housing, streets and other public spaces; and

WHEREAS, the City of Yonkers would greatly benefit from inclusive participatory budgeting, and can help residents be more involved in the budgetary and planning process; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Yonkers aims to establish a participatory budgeting program for the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget; and

WHEREAS, the participatory budget will include a total of \$720,000; and

WHEREAS, each of the six City Council districts will receive a \$100,000 from the respective City Councilmember, and \$20,000 from the City Council President; and

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WHEREAS, establishing participatory budgeting will provide more effective capital projects by each council district and provide a great benefit through a community-level democratic process to the citizens in the City of Yonkers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Yonkers City Council, by this resolution, hereby aims to establish a participatory budgeting program for the fiscal year 2022-2023 budget for \$720,000, to be included in the capital budget, with each of the six City Council districts to receive a \$100,000 from the respective City Councilmember, and \$20,000 from the City Council President.

## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING

**PURPOSE:** To support establishing \$720,000 in participatory budgeting in the City of Yonkers.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** All provisions that relate to establishing participatory budgeting in the City of Yonkers.

**JUSTIFICATION:** To support establishing \$720,000 in participatory budgeting in the City of Yonkers.

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** N/A.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** N/A.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** N/A.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Neutral

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

**SUBJECT: A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING**  
☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

**B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES**

Total	Current	Year	Cost:	_____
Total	Current	Year	Revenue:	_____

Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations

☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

**C) FISCAL IMPACT**

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: Hon. Pineda-Isaac

Title: Majority Leader

Department: City Council

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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10. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF NEW YORK SENATE BILL S1113 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A5375 TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF GAS-POWERED LEAF AND LAWN BLOWERS BETWEEN MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AND SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup>

WHEREAS, New York Senate Bill S1113 was introduced in the 2021-2022 Legislative Session, and relates to prohibiting the use of gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year; and

WHEREAS, New York Assembly Bill A5375 is the Assembly version of Senate Bill S1113; and

WHEREAS, these bills aim to cut down on the careless usage of leaf blowers by restricting its usage as a landscaping tool in the non-fall months; and

WHEREAS, a prohibition on gas-powered leaf blowers would benefit the public help, as they pollute the environment in 3 ways: exhaust emissions, noise, and particulates/dust blown into the air; and

WHEREAS, per the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, emissions from gas powered leaf blowers are substantial; and

WHEREAS, the amount of carbon monoxide emitted from a typical backpack leaf blower for just 1 hour is equal to CO coming from the tailpipe of a current year automobile operating for over 8 hours; and

WHEREAS, other emissions include hydrocarbons (HC), oxides and nitrogen (NOx), and fine particular matter (PM), all of which can cause harm; and

WHEREAS, leaf blowers push 300 to 700 cubic feet of air per minute at 150 to 280 miles per hour, and the resulting dust can contain particles including pollen and mold, animal feces, heavy metals, and chemicals from herbicides and pesticides; and

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WHEREAS, in addition to the pollution generated by gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers, they also generate considerable noise levels that can harm the operators' ears, as well as those in close vicinity, if they are not wearing proper protection equipment; and

WHEREAS, much of the work done by gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers is often unnecessary, and can be done by more environmentally friendly tools, such as a mulching mower, or by raking and sweeping, which can be used for compost; and

WHEREAS, other alternatives to gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers include using a plug-in or battery operated blower of vacuum, which are quieter than gasoline models and do not generate ground-level exhaust emissions;

WHEREAS, Senate Bill S1113 reflects necessary changes to New York's Public Health Law that relate to the prohibition of the use of gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yonkers City Council, by this Resolution, hereby calls on the New York State Assembly and the Senate of New York State to prohibiting the use of gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup> of each year through the adoption and implementation of Assembly Bill A5375 and Senate Bill S1113; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Majority Leader Andrea Stewart Cousins, the Yonkers State Delegation, and the New York State Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie.



## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ & RUBBO, AND MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF NEW YORK SENATE BILL S1113 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A5375 TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF GAS-POWERED LEAF AND LAWN BLOWERS BETWEEN MAY 1ST AND SEPTEMBER 30TH

**PURPOSE:** To prohibit the use of gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** All provisions that relate to the prohibition on the use of gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers between May 1<sup>st</sup> and September 30<sup>th</sup>.

**JUSTIFICATION:** To prohibit the use of gas-powered leaf and lawn blowers between May 1st and September 30th.

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** N/A.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** N/A.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** N/A.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Neutral

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

**SUBJECT:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF NEW YORK SENATE BILL S1113 AND ASSEMBLY BILL A5375 TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF GAS-POWERED LEAF AND LAWN BLOWERS BETWEEN MAY 1ST AND SEPTEMBER 30TH

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total	Current	Year	Cost:
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Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations

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Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: Hon. Williams

Title: Councilmember

Department: City Council

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

11. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING AN "EXCLUDED WORKER FUND" IN NEW YORK STATE

WHEREAS, New York State must provide emergency income support to New Yorkers excluded from unemployment benefits; and

WHEREAS, an "Excluded Worker Fund", would provide direct income support, equivalent to unemployment benefits, for undocumented New Yorkers, people recently released from incarceration or detention, and other excluded workers; and

WHEREAS, an "Excluded Worker Fund" would operate by providing flat rate cash payments directly to eligible New Yorkers, equivalent to the minimum unemployment benefit in New York plus federal unemployment boost that all eligible unemployed Americans have received; and

WHEREAS, the monthly payments made under the Excluded Worker Fund should be retroactive, to the start of the COVID-impacted unemployment crisis through the end of the State of Emergency; and

WHEREAS, to further ensure the Excluded Worker Fund reaches the people who need it the most and given the urgent crisis situation, it should incorporate a flexible application and proof requirements, including self-attestation and information that even "off the books" workers are able to provide, allowing documents to prove identity to be the same as those for getting drivers licenses under Green Light; and

WHEREAS, an "Excluded Worker Fund" would be the first in the nation and would provide much needed relief to a large number of New Yorkers; and

WHEREAS, approximately 500,000 undocumented immigrant workers were excluded from qualifying for unemployment benefits, despite paying \$140 million annually in unemployment taxes; and

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WHEREAS, approximately 40,000 New Yorkers were recently released from incarceration or immigrant detention before or during the pandemic with little-to-no chances of finding a job, and lack the work history required to qualify for unemployment benefits; and

WHEREAS, an "Excluded Worker Fund" could be funded through a tax on the wealth. Since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020, 120 New York Billionaires gained over \$87,000,000,000 (eighty-seven billion dollars), while excluded workers have received \$0 in government support; and

WHEREAS, in the 2021-2022 Legislative Session, New York Assembly Bill 5421 and Senate Bill S4543 have been introduced to establish the "excluded worker fund act", which will create an excluded worker fund and an excluded worker program, providing workers traditionally excluded from wage protection programs access to unemployment benefits; and

WHEREAS, while both bills remain in committee, it is pertinent that the legislation include language to afford the protections and much needed relief to New Yorkers excluded from unemployment benefits; and

WHEREAS, New York State must create an "Excluded Worker Fund", and must deliver justice for New Yorkers, including the abovementioned, as well as street vendors, farm and day laborers, laundry workers, domestic workers, and other excluded persons;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yonkers City Council, by this Resolution, hereby calls on the New York State Assembly and the Senate of New York State to establish an Excluded Worker Fund to provide emergency income support to New Yorkers excluded from unemployment benefits; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Majority Leader Andrea Stewart Cousins, the Yonkers State Delegation, and the New York State Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie.

## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, AND COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, RUBBO AND DIAZ

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF ESTABLISHING AN "EXCLUDED WORKER FUND" IN NEW YORK STATE

**PURPOSE:** To support establishing an Excluded Worker Fund

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** All provisions that relate to establishing an Excluded Workers Fund in New York

**JUSTIFICATION:** To support establishing an Excluded Workers Fund in New York

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** N/A.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** N/A.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** N/A.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Neutral

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

**SUBJECT:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT  
OF ESTABLISHING AN "EXCLUDED WORKER FUND" IN NEW YORK STATE  
☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

**B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES**

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Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Describe:

Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Current Year:

Next 5 years:

**C) FISCAL IMPACT**

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By:

Title: Councilmembers

Department: City Council

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

12. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT  
OF "INVEST IN OUR NEW YORK ACT"

WHEREAS, "Invest In Our New York Act" refers to a package of six proposed bills to end tax breaks for the wealthiest New Yorkers, and raises \$50 billion to invest in New York's housing and healthcare, schools and teachers, towns and cities, and workers and youth; and

WHEREAS, these six bills are pertinent as New York State faces a deficit of approximately \$60 billion over the next four years; and

WHEREAS, the Invest In Our New York Act will provide much needed relief to the people of New York, who are hurting from the COVID-19 pandemic. Currently in New York, there are 1.4 million residents facing eviction, 1.2 million persons uninsured, and 60% of New Yorkers with lost income, while New York's billionaires grew \$77 billion richer during the pandemic, to a total net worth of \$600 billion; and

WHEREAS, the first state bill is the Progressive Income Tax, proposed in Senate Bill S2622 and Assembly Bill A8597, which aims to create an equitable tax system where New Yorkers pay a higher rate if they earn significantly more money, and will reportedly raise between \$12-18 billion; and

WHEREAS, the Progressive Income Tax is necessary as individuals with incomes between \$21,400 and \$1,077,550 all pay roughly the same tax rate of 6.5%. As higher earners should pay a higher rate, the Progressive Income Tax will raise the tax rates on the top 5% of New Yorkers (\$300,000 and above); and

WHEREAS, the second state bill is the Capital Gains Tax, proposed in Senate Bill S2522 and Assembly Bill A03352, which aims to tax income from investments like stocks the same as wages, and will reportedly raise \$7 billion; and

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WHEREAS, the Capital Gains Tax is important as many wealthy individuals make much of their income from investments like stocks, and not from their jobs. As the federal government taxes investment income at a much lower rate than the income from jobs, adding a tax to investment income that's equal to the tax break the rich are getting from the federal government could fix the issue; and

WHEREAS, the third state bill is the Heirs' Tax, proposed in Senate Bill S3462 and Assembly Bill A04643, which will create a progressive tax on large sums of inherited wealth, and will reportedly raise \$8 billion; and

WHEREAS, the Heirs' Tax is needed as many wealthy individuals make their money not from work, but from inheriting enormous sums of money. As working people pay taxes on the entirety of the income they make each year, while others can make \$5 million in a year through inheritance and pay no tax on it, an Heirs' Tax is needed. This Inheritance Tax will not affect family houses up to \$2 million, money from pensions or retirement funds, and family farms; and

WHEREAS, the fourth state bill is the Billionaires' Tax, proposed in Senate Bill S04482 and Assembly Bill A05092, which will allow an additional tax on wealth, will reportedly raise \$23 billion in the first year, and \$1.3 billion per year thereafter; and

WHEREAS, while New York already has a wealth tax, called a property tax, which homeowners must pay every year, billionaires are not taxed on massive stock portfolios. A Billionaires' tax would treat billionaires' gains in wealth as income, and these increases would be taxed at income tax rates. Additionally, a constitutional amendment would allow the state to tax large sums of intangible wealth in the future, like stocks, bonds and company Ownership; and

WHEREAS, the fifth state bill is the Corporate Tax, proposed in Senate Bill S2833 and Assembly Bill A04595, which will repeal former President Trump's tax cuts by restoring taxes on the profit a corporation makes each year, and will reportedly raise \$9 billion; and



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WHEREAS, the Corporate Tax would end former President Trump's 2017 tax cuts that reduced the federal corporate profit tax rate from 35% to 21% and cut taxes on real estate businesses by 20%. This bill will end these tax breaks in New York State so that businesses pay the same tax as they did three years ago; and

WHEREAS, the sixth state bill is the Wall Street Tax, proposed in Senate Bill S3980, which will establish a small tax on Wall St. financial transactions, and will reportedly raise \$12-29 billion; and

WHEREAS, the Wall Street Tax would have New York mirror other major financial centers like London and Hong Kong, which places taxes on financial transactions. The financial industry is the largest industry in New York State, comprising of approximately 30% of the state economy. This bill would place small taxes on trades of stocks, bonds, and derivatives, similar to a tax on stocks that existed in New York until 1981; and

WHEREAS, it is pertinent that these six state bills contained in the Invest In Our New York Act are passed to provide the necessary relief and protections for the residents of New York State and the City of Yonkers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yonkers City Council, by this Resolution, hereby calls on the New York State Assembly and the Senate of New York State to adopt the six state bills contained in the Invest In Our New York Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk is hereby directed to transmit copies of this Resolution to Governor Andrew Cuomo, Majority Leader Andrea Stewart Cousins, the Yonkers State Delegation, and the New York State Assembly Speaker Carl Heastie.

**SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, AND COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, RUBBO AND DIAZ

**TITLE OF BILL:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF "INVEST IN OUR NEW YORK ACT"

**PURPOSE:** To support the six state bills contained in the Invest In Our New York Act.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** All provisions that relate to the Invest In Our New York Act..

**JUSTIFICATION:** To support the six state bills contained in the Invest In Our New York Act.

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** N/A.

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** N/A.

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** N/A.

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** Neutral

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This act shall take effect IMMEDIATELY

**SUBJECT:** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS IN SUPPORT OF  
"INVEST IN OUR NEW YORK ACT"

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

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**B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES**

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Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year: \_\_\_\_\_

Next 5 years: \_\_\_\_\_

**C) FISCAL IMPACT**

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: Councilmembers

Department: City Council

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

13. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS PROCLAIMING AND RECOGNIZING APRIL 2021 AS "ARAB AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH" THROUGHOUT THE CITY OF YONKERS.

WHEREAS, Arab Americans have made many valuable contributions to virtually every aspect of American society: in medicine, law, business, education, technology, government, military service, culture; and

WHEREAS, since migrating to America, men and women of Arab descent have shared their rich culture and traditions with neighbors and friends, while also setting fine examples of model citizens and public servants; and

WHEREAS, they brought with them to America their resilient family values, strong work ethic, dedication to education, and diversity in faith and creed that have added strength to our great democracy; and

WHEREAS, Arab Americans have also enriched our society by sharing in the entrepreneurial American spirit that makes our nation free and prosperous; and

WHEREAS, the history of Arab Americans in the US. remains neglected or defaced by misconceptions, bigotry, and anti-Arab hate in the forms of crimes and speech; and

WHEREAS, Arab American issues, such as civil rights abuses, harmful stereotyping, and bullying must be combated in the forms of education and awareness; and

WHEREAS, they join all Americans in the desire to see a peaceful and diverse society, where every individual is treated equally and feels safe; and

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WHEREAS, the incredible contributions and heritage of Arab Americans have helped us build a better nation; and

NOW, THEREFORE, we announce that the Arab America Foundation celebrates the contributions Arab Americans have made to society, and the City Council of the City of Yonkers hereby declares April 2021 to be "Arab American Heritage Month" in the City of Yonkers

## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** BY Council President Mike Khader

**TITLE OF BILL:** Arab American Heritage Month

**PURPOSE:** To celebrate the contributions made to the City of Yonkers by members of the Arab American Community.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:**

**JUSTIFICATION:**

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:**

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:**

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

SUBJECT: Arab American Heritage Month 2021

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

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A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Current Year Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_

Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

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Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: \_ Joseph Orlando

Title: \_\_\_\_ Aide to City Council President

Department: City Council President's Office

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

14. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS CONDEMNING HATRED AND VIOLENCE TOWARDS THE ASIAN PACIFIC ISLANDER AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

WHEREAS, over 20 million Americans are of Asian or Pacific Islander descent which accounts for 7 percent of the population in the United States; and

WHEREAS, Anti-Asian rhetoric over the past year has intensified and has resulted in Asian Americans being harassed, assaulted and made the scapegoat for the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, Asian-Americans brought with them to America their strong work ethic, dedication to education, and diversity that have added strength to our great democracy; and

WHEREAS, the history of Asian Americans in the US. remains neglected or defaced by misconceptions, bigotry, and anti-Asian hate in the forms of crimes and speech; and

WHEREAS, they join all Americans in the desire for the COVID-19 pandemic to end and to move forward as one united country; and

WHEREAS, the incredible contributions and heritage of Asian Americans have helped us build a better nation; and

WHEREAS, hatred of any kind based on race has no place in American society; and

NOW, THEREFORE, The Yonkers City Council celebrates the contributions Asian-Americans have made to society, and hereby declare April 2021 to be "Asian American Heritage Month" in the City of Yonkers.



## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** BY Council President Mike Khader

**TITLE OF BILL:** Resolution by the City Council of Yonkers Condemning Hatred and Violence Towards the Asian Pacific Islander American Community.

**PURPOSE:** To condemn the violence and hatred towards the Asian-American community.

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:**

**JUSTIFICATION:**

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:**

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:**

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:**

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

SUBJECT: Resolution by the City Council of Yonkers Condemning Hatred and Violence Towards the Asian Pacific Islander American Community.

☒ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

### BUDGET IMPACT

(Completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department or Council Staff)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

Total Current Year Cost: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Current Year Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_

Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐ Transfer of Existing Appropriations ☐ Fee/Fine/Tax/Other (Explain)

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Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Potential Related Revenues: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: Joseph Orlando

Title: Aide to City Council President

Department: City Council President's Office

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

15. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS TO DESIGNATE WITH AN HONORARY STREET NAMING DURST PLACE, FROM SEMINARY AVENUE TO DUNWOODIE STREET, 'DETECTIVE WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR. WAY'

WHEREAS, William J. Sullivan, Jr. was born on July 27, 1965. Sully, as he was affectionately known, was born to William and Marie (Grady) Sullivan; and

WHEREAS, After graduating from Sacred Heart High School, Bill began working for the family business, Sullivan & Sons Building Materials and Fuel Oil Company; and

WHEREAS, In the 1980's, Bill started his career in law enforcement by working as a "Park Ranger" for the Westchester County Police Department. William J. Sullivan was appointed to the Yonkers Police Department on February 3, 1995. Assigned shield #893 (which Bill had the honors of bestowing to his son upon his police graduation in July 2019); and

WHEREAS, Police Officer William Sullivan was assigned to uniform patrol duty in the 4th precinct, the Detective Division and the Intelligence Unit. He was the recipient of two Police Commendations, six Certificates of Excellent Police Work, four Unit Citations, and many letters of appreciation. Not to mention that Sully served as a mentor and friend to all in the department; and

WHEREAS, Sully was elected as the 4th precinct trustee for several years and later was elected as the Sergeant at Arms and Board member of the PBA. After years in the 4th precinct on patrol, Bill was appointed to Detective where he carried "the gold shield" #693 and was assigned to the Detective Division. As a result of his work and demeanor as Detective, he was assigned to the Major Case Squad. After serving in the Major Case Squad for 8 years, Detective Sullivan was transferred to the Special Investigations Unit, where he served under the department's top-ranking officials; and

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WHEREAS, Detective Sullivan was also a proud member of the Fraternal Order of Police, the New York State Police and Fire Retirees Association, the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick (Westchester), and the Police Emerald Society of Westchester, who recognized him numerous times over the years with various awards. In 2017, Detective Sullivan was selected to be an aide to the St. Patrick's Day Parade Grand Marshall, Cardinal Dolan; and

WHEREAS, Having always given back to his community by donating blood and platelets on a monthly basis, coaching little league with the Dunwoodie Youth Association, coaching with the Yonkers Hockey Association and volunteering at the annual Yonkers PBA special needs picnic, Sully made countless positive and lasting contributions to our city and certainly his earned the respect of all who knew him.

WHEREAS, On April 11, 2020, Detective William Sullivan succumbed to complications associated with the Coronavirus (COVID-19) that he unfortunately contracted during the performance of his duties with the Yonkers Police Department.

WHEREAS, William J. Sullivan is survived by his wife, Eileen (Costello) Sullivan, his daughter, Jacqueline Sullivan, his son, William Sullivan III, and his beloved dog, Duke Pugglesworth.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yonkers City Council hereby approves the honorary street renaming of Durst Place, from Seminary Ave to Dunwoodie St, 'Detective William Sullivan, Jr. Way.'

## **SPONSOR'S MEMORANDUM**

**SPONSOR:** COUNCILMEMBER JOHN RUBBO

**TITLE OF BILL:** RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS TO DESIGNATE WITH AN HONORARY STREET NAMING DURST PLACE, FROM SEMINARY AVENUE TO DUNWOODIE STREET, 'DETECTIVE WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR. WAY'

**PURPOSE:** Honorary Street Naming

**SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC PROVISIONS:** Honorary street naming.

**JUSTIFICATION:** To honor and remember the passing of a member of the Yonkers Police Department

**IMPACT OF REGULATION ON BUSINESS AND INDIVIDUALS:** None

**CRIMINAL SANCTION IMPACT:** None

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:** New

**FISCAL IMPLICATIONS:** n/a

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Immediate

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF YONKERS TO DESIGNATE WITH AN HONORARY STREET NAMING DURST PLACE, FROM SEMINARY AVENUE TO DUNWOODIE STREET, 'DETECTIVE WILLIAM SULLIVAN, JR. WAY'

■ NO FISCAL IMPACT PROJECTED

**BUDGET IMPACT**

(To be completed by operating department and reviewed by Finance Department)

A) ☐ General Fund ☐ Board of Education ☐ Special Revenue fund or District

B) EXPENSES AND REVENUES

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Total Current Year Revenue: \_\_\_\_\_

Source of Funds (Check one): ☐ Current Appropriations ☐ Additional Appropriations ☐

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Identify Accounts: \_\_\_\_\_

Potential Related Operating Budget Expenses: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Anticipated Savings: Annual Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Current Year:

Next 5 years:

C) FISCAL IMPACT

Potential for additional personnel: \_\_\_\_\_

Prepared By: Hon. John Rubbo

Title: Councilmembers

Department: City Council

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Reviewed By: \_\_\_\_\_

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**RESOLUTION**

16. BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT KHADER, MAJORITY LEADER PINEDA-ISAAC, MINORITY LEADER BREEN, COUNCILMEMBERS WILLIAMS, DIAZ, RUBBO AND MERANTE:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following applicant(s) are hereby appointed and/or reappointed to the office of Commissioner of Deeds for a period of two years to expire on April 30, 2023.

Diana Rezk  
225 Nepperhan Avenue  
Yonkers, New York 10701

Office Manager

NEW

Margarita Watson  
111 Morningside Avenue  
Yonkers, New York 10703

Business Owner

RENEWAL

Elizabeth Diaz  
127 Linden Street  
Yonkers, New York 10701

Administrative Assistant

RENEWAL

Vincent A. Massaro  
70 Heather Drive  
Mahopac, New York 1541

Engineer

RENEWAL

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